

In his opening sentence yesterday afternoon Mr. Worthington stated that in view of the fact that William E. Shannon had written to the committee

British Treasury Bills Sell Lower.
LONDON, October 27.—A reduction in the selling price of treasury bills over the counter was announced today by the Bank of England. Three-month bills now yield 4½ per cent; six-month bills 4½, and nine and twelve month bills 5 per cent, as compared with the previous rate of 4½.

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CARD OF THANKS.
JONES. I gratefully acknowledge the very many expressions of sympathy and condolence, both by kindness and flowers, at the illness and death of my dear wife, MRS. CHARLES S. JONES, October 15, 1855. I beg all of our friends to accept this recognition of their kind courtesies, which is as sincere and heartfelt as individual letters could possibly be.
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OF HOLLAND MERCHANTS

Maintenance of American Trade With Neutral Countries One Ob- ject to Be Sought.

NEW YORK, October 27.—The American Overseas Corporation, formed to facilitate American trade with neutral nations, somewhat after the manner adopted by the merchants of Holland in the Netherlands Oversea Trust, met here today to complete its organization and discuss details of its policy. The idea of the corporation is to give assurances to belligerents that its shipments are non-combatant and will not reach enemy countries. Indications were that the meeting would be a lengthy one, and that any announcement of progress would not be forthcoming until late today. It was considered possible that today's discussion might not crystallize upon any program and that it would be continued at a later meeting.

Secretary Redfield to Aid.

A letter from Secretary Redfield of the Department of Commerce, expressing

ing his interest in the project and cooperation along certain lines, was placed before the meeting.

Another matter which it was expected would be discussed was the detailed method pursued by the Overseas Trust, which virtually controls the entire foreign trade of the Netherlands and the Dutch East Indies.

In the case of Holland the Overseas organization's methods are simple. Every trader who exports must first apply to the trust, which inquires into the genuineness of the business and demands a bank guarantee and proof that the goods to be exported are not on the account of any person or firm belonging to a nation at war. In the case of the Dutch East Indies the Overseas trust demands bank guarantee and proof that the goods are intended purely for consumption within the country.

Breaches Quickly Revealed.

Should the trader not keep his word the bank guarantee is confiscated. A breach of trust is quickly revealed by examinations of the books of members and is made frequently. The book is one-eight of the total of goods handled. No profit is made by the trust, any surplus going to the national relief funds.

The trust is not a charitable organiza-

Overseas Corporation is American. Maintenance of American commercial and financial interests is the primary consideration of the prevention of unnecessary detention of shipments to neutrals and the consequent restriction of international cargoes, and ultimate reestablishment of credits in the countries affected.

Discussed With the President.

Administration plans for legislation to protect American manufacturers from foreign competition after the European war were discussed with President Wilson by Senator Charles McNary and Chairman Davies of the federal trade commission. They submitted a bill for congressional consideration to make underselling by foreigners "unfair competition," punishable under the Sherman law.

Exhaustive investigations into the question have been conducted both by the federal trade commission and the foreign and domestic commerce bureau. Efforts to build up an American chemical and synthetic industry to compete with the German monopoly in this line have been hampered by fear that German manufacturers would raise prices here immediately after the war.

To the McNary-Davies bill, it is felt that some legislation to protect American manufacturers is imperative.

lation, with an added duty on goods to be sold at less than the cost of production, have been generally rejected. Administration officials have been opposed to "anti-dumping" laws which contemplate tariff changes. Secretary Redfield has made it clear that he will urge legislation making "dumping unfair competition under the anti-trust laws. He has formulated tentative drafts of amendments to anti-trust laws which he believes would cover the evil. These suggestions, with other formulations of federal trade commissions, were laid before the President today.

OREGON SENATOR FAVORS INCREASED PREPAREDNESS

Chairman Chamberlain of Military Affairs Committee Here to Confer With President.

Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, chairman of the Senate committee on military affairs, reached Washington today and will confer tomorrow with

President Wilson on the question of increased preparedness for the United States.

Senator Chamberlain today said he was one of the original advocates of better preparedness.

"I believe that the opposition to such preparedness is a thing of the past and as time goes on," he said.

He said it was essential the Panamanian, the Philippine Islands and the Hawaiian Islands should be fully garrisoned at all times. The islands, he said, were the first line of defense of the west coast. If the Panama canal fell into hostile hands it would make the United States navy just half as effective as it is. The canal operating under the United States.

MURDERER SEEKS NEW TRIAL.

Hans Schmidt, Under Sentence of Death, Files Appeal.

ALBANY, N. Y., October 27.—Bridges, who was sentenced to death for murdering and opposing a new trial for Hans Schmidt, convicted for the slaying of Anna Amuller in New York in 1913, and now under sentence of death, were filed with the court of appeals today to support oral arguments from the defense.

Partions of Miss Ammuller's body were found in the waters adjacent to New York early in September, 1912. Investigation led to the arrest of a woman, who at the time was performing the offices of a priest of the Catholic Church and with whom, the testimony showed, Miss Ammuller had lived.

Legardere's Speech Under Inquiry.

PARIS, October 27.—Alexandre Millerand, the French minister of war, has begun an inquiry regarding the speech Canon Legardere is reported to have made to the 6th Regiment of Dragoons October 6. The canon is said to have said: "I am tottering under the weight of its errors and national faults. It has need of new inculation in order to be able to throw off of overcoming cruel punishment."

ENEMIES OF CARRANZA

Designed to Prevent Operation of Gold and Silver Mines by Villa Adherents.

Representatives of United States railroads today held a conference with State Department officials on the possibility of cutting off supplies of fuel to Villa and the other enemies of the de facto government of Carranza, which has been recognized. The shutting off of fuel supplies is an effort at a proceeding supplementary to the embargo of arms and ammunition which has been laid against Villa.

After the conference the following telegram was sent to the railroad shipping goods into Mexico:

"The Department of State desires railroads to co-operate as much as possible with local authorities at El Paso, especially the collector of customs there, in delaying as much as possible shipments of coke and coal intended for Mexican factions in revolt against the de facto government of Mexico and the state of Chihuahua."

W. J. B.

To Prevent Mine Operations.

The plan is designed especially to head off the operation by Villa force of the gold and silver mines in Chihuahua for which the United States has to be drawn from the United States. For the operation of the mine the companies have in the past had shipments of coke and coal from Oklahoma and other points.

The State Department has not been officially advised of the confiscation of the Chihuahua plant of the American Smelting and Refining Company because of the fear that it had been was not surprising.

Representations recently were made to both Carranza and Villa on this subject. Carranza is extending his zone of protection as rapidly as possible and that Villa is using this power to protect American property.

Further Action Probable.

If officially advised of the confiscation of the Chihuahua plant, additional representations, it was said, might be made to the recognized de facto government. No official representation can be made to Villa, all relations with him having been severed. However,

Asks Proper Protection.

Senator Ashurst has asked the Secretary of War departments for proper protection for the citizens of Carranza who desires American troops to be sent there to act as protectors in case of an engagement between Carranza, and Villahermosa. A fight is expected to take place at any time, and Carranza troops which have been allowed to pass through United States territory have now again passed over the Mexican border on their way to Carranza.

Senator Ashurst said he had the promise of the War Department to dispatch a sufficient number of troops to Carranza to protect the city from the fire of either side. He said that he had informed the officials that without protection he feared that there was even a possibility that Carranza troops might make an attempt at looting.

Secretary Garrison wired Gen. Funston at El Paso, Tex., that he thought the troops he found necessary to protect American interests along the border at that point.

Troops Move Through S. Territory.

Information in the possession of the department leads officials to believe that between 4,000 and 5,000 Canadian troops are to be transported through American territory, and that Villa had with him approximately 7,000 troops. Villa has been reported as marching northward.

State supplies are said to be dwindling. One official of the State Department said today that he believed the supplies would be entirely eliminated from Mexico within a month unless he should devise some method of securing additional supplies before then.

PHYSICIAN CURED OF ANTHRAX

Only Permanent Ill Effect Is Scar

Left on Neck.

BENBOW CITY, Ill., October 27.—Dr. J. C. Helper, who a month ago was stricken with anthrax, today was pronounced cured, after attending physician Dr. Helper's wife was largely instrumental in bringing about his cure. Throughout the greater part of his illness she applied at fifteen-minute intervals an antiseptic treatment to a wound on the physician's neck which

Helper believes he contracted the disease from a mosquito bite. For a week both he and the physician in charge of the case held faint hope of his recovery.

The only permanent ill effect left by the disease is a three-inch scar on Dr. Helper's neck where the flesh had been eaten away.

JAPAN'S RIFLES IN RUSSIA.

Prepare Munitions for Big Drive in Early Spring.

NEW YORK, October 27.—More than 3,000,000 Japanese-made rifles, with sufficient ammunition for an extended campaign, have been received by Russia in the last three months, according to Albert B. Thayer of Cincinnati who arrived here today on the steamship Frederik VIII from Copenhagen. In addition, about 500 trained Japanese officers are engaged in instructing Russian artillerymen in the use of new high-powered guns. Mr. Thayer also said that all large factories in Russia including several purchased by American interests, are engaged in turning out munitions in preparation for a big drive in early spring.

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Length of Man's Life Increased.
 CHICAGO, October 27.—Within the
 last twenty-five years the average
 length of man's life has been increased
 ten years, according to Dr. Victor C.
 Vaughn, dean of the medical college of
 the University of Michigan, one of the
 speakers before the Central States
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